

REMARKS

This responds to the Office Action mailed on December 21, 2004.

Claim 4 is amended, claim 10 is canceled, and no claims are added; as a result, claims 1-9 and 11-14 are now pending in this application.

Claim 4 has been amended to replace “a CD ROM” with “an optical drive”. Basis for this amendment is clearly evident from the specification.

§102 Rejection of the Claims

Claim 10 was rejected under 35 USC § 102(e) as being anticipated by Guzik (U.S. 6,229,304). This rejection is now moot as claim 10 has been cancelled.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-9 and 11-14 were allowed.

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116 – EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

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CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney 408-705-2698 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

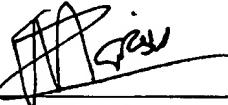
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